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Virginia and North Carolina-Fair Wed-resday, except probably snow or rain in southern portion at night: Thursday snow or rain; fresh northwesterly winds, be-coming variable.

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NINE MEN KILLED AS MANY INJURED

Fire In St. Louis, Mo., Fatal To Firmen.

THE BUILDING COLLAPSED

Men Caught Beneath the Crash Have Not Been Rescued.

FALLING WALLS CAUGHT MANY

The Number of Those Killed Is Not Known Deligitely, But Will Not Prove Less Than Six-Firemen worked Hard to R scue Their Companions, But to No Avail.

(Br Associated Press.) ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 4.—At least nine men were killed and as many more injured at a fire at No. 3H Chestnut Street, ecupied by the American Tent and Awning Company. The building suddenly collapsed, and although the half dozen men who were caught in the crash had not cen reached by their hard working comades two hours later, it is almost cerain they have succumbed. The dead: AUGUST THIERRY, first assistant blef, caught in ruins.

MICHAEL KEHOE, assistant foreman,

DANIEL STEELE, foreman, caught in

William Dundon, pipeman; Charles krening, pipeman, and Patrick Berman,

The injured: Frank Lingo, driver of

cerial truck, thrown from truck while working 40 feet above the ground, selously injured; Monroe Moore, inspector for the Imperial Electric Light Company, adly injured by falling debris; Pick McCarthy, engineer, caught by falling walls, seriously hurt; William Julieb, Marshal Thierry's driver, caught by falling walls, seriously hurt; William Wand, foreman, seriously injured by falling

AN OLD BUILDING.

The building in which the fire originated was located in the old thisiness section. of the city and was about fifty years b.d. The blaze, which proved a hard one to. the fire department to master, had been brought practically under control when suddenly, with absolutely no warning, the building collapsed and came down in a heap with a noise that could be heard for many blocks.

Three firemen at work on the second hoor had had difficulty in managing d line of hose and Assistant Chief Thiery was on his way with three of his men to end them aid when the building co.-

The men went down with tons of twisted iron, brick, stone and wooden columns nveloping them. Chief Swingley, wh. was in front of the building directing his nen, had a miraculous escape from death. As the front wall fell outward, he scurried across the street and fell under the zerial truck. The truck was covered with sebris and partially wrecked, and it was to its sheltering protection that the chief

TONS COVER THEM.

Frank Lingo, driver of the truck, was directing a stream on the fire from the serial ladder, about forty feet from the ground, when the wall fell. A portion of the gebris struck him and he was hurled through the air to the ground, receiving probably fatal injuirles. Chief Swingley put his entire force to

work at once in an effort to rescue the buried firemen, but although the men worked heroically they had not been able to reach the victims at midnight. It is certain that all are dead, as tons of

Following is a list of the lesses: Ameriican Tent and Awning Company, \$25,000; McLean estate, less on building, \$35,000, Herman Ruppelt, job printer, \$10,000, scattering, \$5,000.

BOILERS BLEW UP.

B dies of Men on low west Llown High Into

AT.

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, PA., Feb. 5.-Word just recleved from Braddock that the boilers of the tow boat John W. Ayles blew up at 1:15 A. M. with 16 men aboard. Witnerses of the accident say they saw several bodies of the men on the boat blown through the air.

The accident happened at the south bank of the Mononghala River, opposite the foot of Thirteenth Street, Braddock,

HONOR MARSHALL DAY.

Richmond Ledge Celebrates the Anniversary in a Happy Manner.

Richmond Lodge, No. 19, A. F. and A. M., held a memorial meeting last night in honor of John Marshall, who was a member of this lodge, and past grand master of Masons in Virginia, and one who did a great deal of good for the Order in the early days of this country's The programme for the evening had

two speeches:
"John Marshall as a Mason," by Mr.
R. A. Brock, the historian, and "John

Marshall as a Man," by Hon. A. J. Mon-tague, Governor of Virginia. Gove nor Montague was, on account of his recent indisposition, unable to come out at night not disturbed.

and a treat was missed by the large assemblage in the lodge-room. Mr. Br ck delivered a masterplece not only on the record of Chief Justice Marshall, but on other prominent Masons of his time and

day.

Speeches were also made by Messrs.

Jefferson Wallace, F. P. Brent, and D.
C. Richardson, all of whom were well
up on the history of John Marshall as a
Man and Mason, executed. Mr. Pichard. man and Mason, especially Mr. Richard-son, who spoke of the good Marshall did on several occasions for the city of Rich-

Worshipful F. M. Reade, the master of the Lodge, is to be congratulated on the success of the meeting. There were over 150 Masons present, including very m ny prominent members of the Order. Efter the adjournment a splendid supper was served in the banquet hall.

CARTER CASE.

Answer Filed to Proceedings Instituted by the Govern vent.

(By Associated Press.)
SAVANNAH, GA., Feb. 4.—In the District of Georgia to-day W. G. Charlton, counsel for Oberlin M. Carter, formerly captain of engineers, U. S. A., filed an enswer to the proceedings instituted by the Government to secure possession of property alleged to have been procured by Carter through conspiracy and fraud against the Government in connec-tion with river and harbor contracts and

Carter denies every allegation of wrongdoing on his part alleged by the Govern-ment. He reviews his connection with the river and harbor improvements at Savannah and Cumberland Sound, and asserts that the work was well and hon-estly done. He denies having borrowed money from Greene and Gaynor or having received money from or through them as his part of the profits of contract work. He asserts that his father-in-law, the late R. F. Westcott, of New York, hands and gave him large gifts of money, thus accounting for his prosperity.

PASSENGER CRASH ON THE SEABOARD

A Remarkable Accident Near Raleigh-Purchase of New Equipment.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 4.—No. 68 Seaboard Air Line north-bound train going to Richmond, soon after leaving Raleigh began to have trouble with the forward truck on an express car, and when within a mile of Franklinton the truck was thrown from under the car by the train's momentum, throwing the forward end of the car down on the track with such force as to crash in the end of the car. It is declared a strange freak of good fortune that no one was killed. A defective axle caused the wreck, which occurred about 2:45 o'clock this afternoon, and it was 8:30 o'clock to-night before the trains were moved, north and southbound trains both having been held up on either side.

An equipment agreement between Vermilye & Company, New York bankers, and the Scaboard Air Line Rallway, was registered in the Wake county register of deeds' office to-day. The agreement is that on condition of receipt of 500 flat cars, 500 ventilated box cars, 10 passenger engines, 10 freight engines, and 10 ceaches, furnished by Vermilye & Company, the Scaboard Air Line Railway gives its note to Vermilye & Company. An equipment agreement between Verpany, the Scabbard Air Lane Rahway gives its note to Vermilye & Company for \$831,293, dated February 1st, at 4½ per cent. Interest, \$131,293 of this sum to be paid on receipt of the first installment of equipment, and the remainder to be oaid in forty consecutive quarterly in-

CAUGHT WITH DECOY LETTERS.

dunter McClintic Arr.sted at Hot Springs for Robbing the Mails.

cial Dispatch to The Times.) HOT SPEINGS, VA., Feb. 4 .- Mr. Hunter McClintic, deputy postmaster at Hot Springs, Va., was arrested this morning upon a charge of having stolen money from the mails. For several months past employes of the Hot Springs Company from Cincinnati have been sending money to their families in a plain envelope, and the money would never reach its destination. Two postoffice detectives have been here for the past few days tracing up the matter, and last night two decoy letters were mailed by the detectives, one con-taining five one dollar notes, the other one ten dollar note. The detectives went through the mails between Hot Springs and Covington, and after finding the letters had not been forwarded returned to Hot Springs.

This morning the postoffice was

This morning the postoffice was searched and still the letters were missing. The young deputy arrivea, and both envelopes containing the money were found on his person. A special train took the detectives and the prisoner to Covington, where they made connection for Staunton, where McClintic will be tried. The prisoner was accompanied to Staunton by his father, Mr. J. H. McClintic.

Mr. McClintic was recently removed Mr. McClintic was recently removed from the postoffice and Mr. A. M. Stim-son appointed in his place, who would

PLEAD GLILTY TO BIGAMY.

harles A. Goode Tried by Two Juries and Sentenced.

have taken charge to-morrow.

(Special Dispatch to The Times,) (Special Dispatch to The Times,)
LYNCHBURG, VA., February 4.—Chas,
A. Goode was tried in the Corporation
Court here to-day on the charge of bigamy. In 1898 Goode married Miss Little Bridges in Gaston county, N. C. About a year ago he came to Lynchburg and secured work in the cotton mill, where he met Miss Annie Ruhlin, whom he made his second wife. Mrs. Goode No. 2 came here a few weeks ago and had her hus-

here a few weeks ago and had her hus-band arrested.

Goode pleaded guilty and the term of imprisonment was agreed on by counsel and court, but the jury failed to agree on a verdict, and after several hours of feliberation a second jury was impanelled This jury in a few minutes return of the verdict reached by the court, and the prisoner was sentenced to three years.

Nitr -6 ycerine Evploded.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.-A premature explosion of nitro-glycerine, care-lessly handled by an operative at the lessly handled by an operative at the Cerberite Manufacturing Company's plant at Ardwick, Maryland, nine miles from this city, early this morning, killed James. Martin, the superintendent, and slightly injured two workmen. The building was slightly damaged, but eight tons of material of high explosive strength, stored these to the Scene of the accident ware. close to the scene of the accident, were

MR. CASKIE MAKES BRIEF COMMENTS

Cannot Account for Capt. McCarthy's Sorrow.

MAY TELL ALL HE KNOWS

Is at Liberty to Deal With the Councilman's Record.

GREAT CHURCH HILL MEETING

Hot Times Are Expected Now that Mr. Caskle Has thus Spoken-"Live Wire" May Deal With Subj.ct To-Morrow Night-Conference of Madiison Ward Citizens.

City Fights.

"I know of no reason why Mr. McCarthy should feel protoundly sorry for me. If there are any facts concerning my conduct as a member of the Common Council } which he desires to make public, ne, of course, is at liberty to do }

The above is the brief, but direct, comment made by Mr. James Caskie, when seen last night concerning Captain Mc-Carthy's now famous dodger, in which he expressed "profound sorrow" for the popular Councilman, along with Mr. E. . Bemiss, president of the Richmond

Traction Company. Mr. Bemiss declined to say anything whatever on the subject. Captain Mc-Carthy may now be expected to tell what he meant by his allusion to Mr. Caskie, since he has the latter's unqualified con since he has the latter's unqualified con-sent to do so. That he will make this the subject of some of his remarks in his speech at Corcoran Hall to-morrow, night, there is hardly a reasonable doubt, for he said in his dodger that if Mr. Cas-icle would tell why he (Captain McCarthy) was sorry, it would relieve him of the painful necessity. He, perhaps, considers that necessity may upon him Mr. Caskie that necessity now upon him, Mr. Caskie says he does not know.
IS GROWING HOT.

The campaign is growing hot, and there are evidences all along the lines of increasing heat. Corcoran Hall will hardly hold all those who will apply for admission to-morrow night. Captain McCarthy ha not spoken for nearly a week and declares that his story will be a new one. Never was there more dynamite in a municipal campaign in Richmond, and explosions are looked for almost daily. explosions are looked for almost daily.

But the sulphuric storm will not rage
until the "Live Wire" and "Honest Dick"
meet face to face on the same platform.
The opportunity will present itself Saturday night at a meeting of the Clay Ward Actives, but Mayor Taylor is not expected to be present, although it is his home club, and a special invitation will be sent him to attend. a meeting for the Old Market Hall is ba-ing worked up. Whether it will be held this or next week is still a question, but according to leaders down there, it will

according to leaders down there, it was be held shortly.

The City Committee will meet on Friday night, February 14th, to arrange a date for the primary, After this is done the campaign will open up in dead carnest all along the lines.

THE WHOLE SHOW. Mayor Taylor is expected to take the stump shortly after the date is set. The mayoralty campaign, one-sided as the speaking end of it is, is now the "whole show," and when "Honest Dick" "comes to the bat" it will be all the more so.

Little attention is being paid apparamently to the campaign for the other field.

ently to the campaign for the other field officers. Hon. John E. Epps has been both active, but little is heard of the ear-tle, everything else being overshadowed by the contest for Mayor. Sergeant Smith and Mr. Claiborne Epps are again struggling with each other for City Sor-geant, but there is nothing sensational

about their race.
FOR COUNCIL TICKET. FOR COUNCIL TICKET.

Interest is beginning to lock up, however, in the selection of Councilmen A well-attended meeting of representative citizens of Madison Ward was held at Murphy's Hotel last night for the pur nose of taking steps looking to the bringing out of a ticket for the Council and Poard of Aledrmen. Five Councilmen and Ecard of Aledrmen. Five Councilmen and

one member of the Board are to be chosen, the term of Captain James T. Ferriter, of the upper branch, expiring this year.

Mr. R. L. Taylor was made chairman of the meeting and Mr. Thomas Boudar

secretary.

It was finally agreed to appoint a comit was many agree to appoint a committee of seven to rick out candidates for the Council and Roard from Medisor Ward, and to report their names to another meeting to be held at Murphy's on Tuesday wight February 18th. Meanwalle, citizens of the ward are invited to recest names of good men who can kely be induced to run in writing to the members of the committee, whose rames and addresses are as follows:

Cunningham Hall, No. 1117 East Main treet: W. L. White No. 212 Past Frank-

in Street: H. P. Perev Hawes, No 10th East Cary Street: D. O. Davis, No. 1375 East Cary Street: T. P. Campbell, No. 17 South Ninth Street: W. P. Smith, No. 500 East ranklin Street, and M. B. Rosenbaum,

SAID TO BE IN FAVOR.

While of course, the action of the committee cannot be anticipated, five namewere suggested for the Common Council last night, and they are said to be in screat fevor in the ward. They are Messrs, M. B. Rosenbaum, A. H. Christian, D. O. Davis, F. L. Montague and Burnett Lewis The present members were also suggested to the committee, with the exception of President Ebel, who, it is understood, does not desire re-election.

Mr. Geo. McD. Blake made a strong appeal for the consideration of the names of Messrs. Hobson, Glenn, Wallerstein and West, provided the committee, on investigation, should find their records to have been good. There is no doubt that the present members will be taken into consideration by the committee. There was much interest in the meeting last night, and Councilman Glenn was in last night, and Councilman Glenn was in last night, and Councilman flenn was in last night and they are said to be in decounted to be in decounted to be into consideration of the names of the storest for the lowest bid docked ove that the lowest bid ad looked ove that the cost mate \$25,000.

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Mr. E. D. Tar Cottrell in have the lowest bid SAID TO BE IN FAVOR.

constituents and giving all the glad hand.

UP IN CLAY.

The fight for Alderman in Clay Ward is narrowing down. Leading politicians and citizens of that ward said yesterday the citizens of that ward said yesterday.

that there was no fight on Alderman Seay,
The other candidates for the Board are
Messrs. J. B. Minor and James R. Shep-pard, the latter a new man, but very popular.

The fight against Mr. Mills in Jefferson

Ward is waning. Mr. Mills is giving his ritends a good account of himself, and he declares that his record is as an open book, which he would be glad to have

book, which he would be glad to have any one examine.

Councilman Garber has practically decided to stand for re-election to the Common Council from Marshall Ward. His friends have been after him to strive for the Board, but he thinks that he can be of just as much service to his constituents in the Council, and so will announce himself at the meeting of the Fulton Demograts to-morrow-night.

Mayor Taylor has not accepted the in-

Demograts to-morrow night.
Mayor Taylor has not accepted the invitation to speak before the Clay Ward Actives on Saturday night. He said yesterday he would not accept.

It is probable that after the City Committee fixes the date for the primary, the Actives will hold regular weekly meetings, at which any candidate may creak.

IN THE SAME CATEGORY.

Captain McCarthy said yesterday that his object in calling to the attention of the Common Council, the need of action in reference to the conduct of the office of High Constable, was to put that office in the same category with the other "I think the High Constable should be instructed to make regular reports to the

Council, showing the amount of business done. The claims presented, those col-lected and those uncollected," he said. High Constable E. C. Garrison said yesferday that City Accountant McCarthy vas right when he stated that the Comwas right when he sated that the colli-mon Council had not formulated regula-tions for the conduct of his office, but that the office was not under the jurisdic-

tion of the Council. "
"We work under the statute," he said,
"and are answerable to our patrons and to no one else. We make reports to the people with whom we deal and whose claims we are looking out for." City Attorney Pollard will give his opin-

on the matter at the next meeting of FOR ALDERMAN.

Councilman Marx Gunst is a candidate for the Board of Aldermen from Monroe Ward. He reached this determination yesterday, in accordance with the wishes of many influential citizens from his ward, who presented him a numerously signed petition.

The Union Fulton Democratic Club, of

which Mr. John Duffy is president, will meet at Donahue's Hall to-morrow night.

THREE BARGES PROBABLY LOST

Tows of Tug Richmond Snapped Their Hawself and Went

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.-There is every reason to believe that three barges, coal laden, from Newport News to Boston, have been lost at sea as a result of the storm on Sunday night, and that thirteen people, comprising the crews, have per-ished. The barges were the Antelope, Belle of Oregon and Mystie 'Beil. They were in tow of the tug Kichmon', and the finding of a piece of wreckage bearing the letters "OPE" lends confirmation to other information at hand.

other information at hand.

The Antelooe loaded coal at Newport.

News for Boston, and was to have been towed by the Richmond to Newport, R.

I. During the height of the gale the the barges went adrift off Fire Isl tug sichmond belongs to the Chesapeake

and Ohio Railroad Company.

Agent Willett, of that company, says that Sunday afternoon the Richmond, in rommand of Captain McConnell, left Libert Island. in New York Bay, with three barges in tow, coal laden. Each barge had on board three men. Besides these there were Captain Miller and his wife, who were Captain Athler and his wife, who teted as cook on the barge Antelope; Captain Hardin, of the Belle of Oregon, and Captain Rogers, of the Mystic Bell, a total of thirteen persons. The Antelope carried 1,210 tons of coal; the Belle

lope carried 1.90 tons of coal; the Belle of Oregon 1,590 tons, and the Mystic Belle 1,688 tons.

Agent Willett was in telephone communication this evening with Captain McConnell, who had reached Newport, R. I. The barges, no same, yee well out to sea at 6 o'clock on Sunday night, off he Long Island coast. The rope from the forward barge parted, and the barges was blown away from the tug. Cantain were blown away from the tug. Captain McConnell said he did not give up the hope of rescuing the men on the barges atil it became too dark for him to disinguish them. The tug then made for Newport. Captain McConnell thinks the barges and those aboard of them have

SOME FINE STORES **ERECTED AT ONCE**

They Will Be Located on Thirteenth Street and Will Cost \$25,000.

Three fine stores are to be erected at once on South Thirteenth Street, between Main and Cary. They are to cost alto gether about \$25,000, or separately a little more than \$8,000 apiece.

The plans have already been drawn and have been placed in the hands of con-tractors for them to bid on the work. Of course, it cannot be told yet what the lowest bid will be, and thus the actua cost of the stores, but a contractor who had looked over the plans said yesterday that the cost would certainly approxi-mate \$25,000.

Mr. E. D. Taylor is acting for Mr. S. S.

That the sites may be obtained, one or two large stores built years ago will have to be taken down. They are on the east side of Thirteenth Street, about mid-way of the square.

The owner of the property intends that

The owner of the placet intends that the modern houses shall take the place of the old buildings. It is purely a business move, as the three stores will occupy but the same space and will rent for more. This is just a response to the demands of the times for improved places.

LOSS TO MANCHESTER **WAS QUITE HEAVY**

School Funds Suffer Severely by Fitzgerald's Acts.

REPORT MADE TO BOARD

Shortage of More Than \$3,000 and May Go Higher.

SCHOOLS NOT TO BE AFFECTED

Will Continue for the Bight Month Session as latended at the Beginning-Orlice Declared Vacant and E forts to Be Made to apprehend the Fugitive

Your committee appointed January 13th to examine the accounts and books of your former clerk, F. H. Fitzgerald, met on the 15th, 17th 20th, 22d and 31st of January, and the 1st and 3d of February, and after quite a laborous task, beg leave to state that they have discovered a shortage in the said clerk's accounts of thirty-one hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty-one cents.

In addition to the above amount, there are several cases which your committee believe will increase the shortage to some extent. Your committee reccommend that legal steps be taken at once to apprehend the said F. H. ritzgerald and that he be brought to the bar of justice, and also that eps be taken to recover said amount and that the position of clerk be declared vacant. Respectfully submitted,

Signed, John O'Brien, A. D. Shotwell, L. M. Nunnally, the committee and Joh., J. Bayley, President of the Board.

The city of Manchester loses at least \$3,122.21 by Frank H. Fitzgerald, the refugee clerk of the Southern Railway Company. This amount belonged to the school fund of Manchester, and was under the control of the School Board, of which Fitzgerald was the clerk He had the position since 1893. The thefts are alleged to have been committed at intervals during this period of office

The above facts came out last night at probably the most interesting meeting the Manchester School Board ever held. The special committee appointed to examine the accounts of Fitzgerald made its report. That report is printed above The committee was continued, as a statement was made that other losses would be disclosed. It is not unlikely that a special accountant may be employed to still further examine the books of the former clerk. The office of clerk was declared vacant

GOTTEN UP HASTILY

The meeting was called take yesterday afternoon and few persons knew about it. But all who found it out in any way attended. It was an open session. The reading of the report from the committee was heard with breathless interest. It would appear from the discussion that Fitzgerald got the money by presenting forged warrants to the city treasurer for payment. This was one way. Another was to make out the amount, get the warrant signed by the president of the School Board, then Captain John O'Brien and later raise the sum. This could be done, and it is asserted was done in a consummate manner. For instance. pose the Board had approved the bill of a publishing house for \$50. That amount would be written on the warrant, the "5" plainly, the "0" indistinctly, or faint ly. After the signature of the president it was an easy matter to raise the amoun to \$5. The clerk could get a check to that omunt, forge it, send the right su to the publishing house, and pocket the difference.

The question was asked by a member if the bank were not responsible for the money, as the checks were alleged to have been forged. This matter was passed by for later consideration. It was the opinion of all that Treasurer Bronaugh ought to be and was ex nerat d. He really had nothing to do with the transaction except honor the warrants, which were evidently signed by the resident of the School Board, HAVE AN EXPERT.

Captain O'Brien, the former president of the Board, suggested the employment of an expert accountant to examine the books of Fitzgerald still further. No ction was then taken on the suggestion, but the committee was cutture.

The minutes of 1898 have never been

found, though the committee looked dillgently for them.
Superintendent Pulliam was the acting

secretary of the meeting last night.

Mr. L. M. Nunnally was elected clerk
of the Board to fill out the unexpire term. Eight persons have applied alread for the position.

The report that the session of the Mar chester schools would be shortened on a count of the shortage is erroneous. Ee fore it was ever dreamed that the cleri was other than the most upright man i

the world, early last fall, it was deter mined to have only an eight calendar months' session for 1991-1992. This wil be done now. The money was not taken last year-that is but a small part of it p-nbabi-not enough to pay one teacher, but the false accounts continue a number of years

The people of Manchester are distressed beyond measure because of these reve-lations—sorry for the unfortunate man who went astray, a thousand times sorry for the stricken wife and children and

the deeply bereaved brovers and rela-

STEAMSHIP CUMBINE.

Agreement as to Rates will Go late Effect Shority.

(By Associated Press.)

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4.—The agreement arrived at between the leading British, American and Continental s.camship lines concerning both passenger and treight rates, and which raises saloon rates to a uniform minimum, will come into operation in a few days.

The following lines have signed the agreement:

American, White Star, Dominion, Elder Dempster, Allan, Allan-State, Anchor, Leyland, Atlantic Transport, North Jerman Lloyd, Hamburg-American, Red Star, Cunard, Campaigne, Transatlantique and the Holland-American lines.
This agreement will make an extension of summer season of Transatlantic

SCHLEY IN KNUXVILLE.

Trip Through Tennessee une Admiral Will Never Forget.

Never Forg.t.

(By Associated Press.)

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Feb. 4.—The trip of Admiral and Mrs. Schley through Tennessee, from Chattanooga to Knoxville, was one which they will never forget. At Cleveland, Sweetwater, Louden, Lenoir and smaller places along the route the entire populations of the towns met the trains and the ovations were enthusiastic. At all the points Admiral and Mrs. Schley were called to the rear platform of their private car, where the Admiral shook hands with the people, while Mrs. Schley was virtually buried in floral offerings from school children.

Darkness did not diminish the crowds and immense bonfires gleamed at many places. Admiral Schley's entrance into Knoxville at 8 o'clock to-night was made amid a perfect din of steam whistles and bells. Packed in the Union Station were fully 5.000 persons, who cheered again and again as the train arrived.

BIG FIGHT ON THE WENDENBURG CASE

The Report Was Unanimous, But His Friends Are Con-

A great battle is expected when the City Bar Association meets on February 24th to take final action on the report of in the take final action on the reports the Grievance Committee of that body in the Wendenburg case, which, it is understood, recommends that the young lawyer be expelled from the Association for alleged unprofessional conduct. It was learned yesterday upon reliable authority that the great of the Grievance thority that the report of the Grievance Committee was unanimous, having been signed by all the members, as follows. Judges L. Lewis (chairman) and Geo. L. Christian, Messrs. John Pickrell, Hill Carter and Edwin P. Cox.

The utmost secrecy was enjoined upon the members of the Association as to the proceedings of the meeting on Monday, which was held in the City Hall behind closed doors. Neither Mr. Wendenburg, his counsel, nor members of the burg, his counsel, nor members of the committee had anything to say concerning the matter yesterday, but the result of the meeting leaked out, as is usually the case on such occasions.

the case on such occasions.

While the report of the committee is adverse to the young attorney and will undoubtedly cause a big fight, yet the by-laws are said to require that two-thirds of the members of the body shall vote for it before it can be adopted. There are 115 members and Mr. Wenden-turg's friends seems confident that it will never be adopted. Should the report be inally adopted, it is understood that an effort would be made to have him di-barred from practice in the city courts. It is said by one who ought to know that he trend of sentiment at the meeting or Monday was apparently largely in favor of vindicating Mr. Wendenburg.

AN INDIAN'S FATAL ACCIDENT. Sandford Bradby Killed by His Own Gun While Hunting.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
WESTOVER, VA., Feb. 4.—A searching party, under the lead of Mr. F. L. Douthat, of Weyanoke, found the body of Sandford Bradby, a Pamunkey Indian, in the marsh at that place late Saturday.

Bradby had rented the marsh for shooting and trapping, and was last seen alive when he left his camp early Friday morn ing. Failing to return late Friday night the alarm was given and a party organized for the search.

From the position of the body and an ugly gunshot wound, the supposition is that in getting into his skiff the gun war accidentally discharged, killing him in-

THE POISONED BRIDE.

Dr. M. B. Kirzer Wil Try to Refute the tharge of Yu der.

Charge of Vu der.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

BRISTOL, TENN., Feb. 4.—Dr. M. B. Kinzer, the young physician who is suspected of having poisoned for insurance money his bride of three weeks, nee Missicial Belle Patton, of Bristol, in Knoxville, a few days ago, and who has since been with his father, Rev. J. C. Kinzer here, left this evening for Knoxville in company with his uncle, Judge Oglesby of Hillsville, Va., presumably with thope of refuting the criminal idea in the case.

Kinzer is twenty-four years of age. He came to Bristol more than a year ag-with his father's family. He went from here to Knoxville to study medicine. Pric to going there he had met Miss Patton to going there he had met Miss Patton, an orphan girl, who is well connected here. On the 6th day of January Mis Patton went to Knoxville alone to mee Dr. Kinzer, and the two were married on that day. A few days later they made application for a joint life insurance policy for \$5,000. Mrs. Kinzer's death for lowed by poisoning. As has been related in the press dispatches at the time, i' was thought to have been a mistake by which morphine was administered as cuining.

W. H. Patton, a brother of the late Mrs. W. H. Patton, a brother of the late also. Kinzer, will go to Knoxville to-morrow. He states that Kinzer told him or three occasions that he had no insurance on Mrs. Kinzer's life, and now has been forced to acknowledge that her life was insured. The affair has caused a ensation here.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.—General Torrance, commander of the G. A. R., will be heard by the House Committee February 14th on the bill of Representa-tive Hay to establish a National Military Park on the battlefields of Fredericksourg.

EDUCATION IS ON THE INCREASE

Interesting Statement Show. ing Illiterate White Males.

A TRICK OF FIGURES

Indicate More Ignorant White Adults, But Ratio Less.

INCOMES OF UNIVERSITIES

able Giving the Productive Funds and Annual Eardings of the Leading Institutions of Am. r.ca, Including University of Virginia-All Seem to be la a Presperous condition.

Never before in the history of the South has the literacy or illiteracy of the male whites of the South been the object of so much attention. Many of the States have recently formed new constitutions with the admitted purpose of getting rid of the rote of the negro. To do this, the constitutions almost without exception contain an educational qualification.

No secret has been made of the fact that this clause had the purpose to serve of keeping out the illiterate negro voto and thus eliminating from the right of franchise many of that race. This circumstance has brought to the attention of every thinking man the question: How many white voters would thus be affected? And out of this grows the other and still more interesting and the broader question: Is illiteracy increasing or decreasing in the South?

A TRICK OF FIGURES. All would expect the answer that the

ratio of the illiterate is much smaller than it was thirty years ago, and that it is steadily decreasing. And that is true. But at first sight is would not appear so. See these figures which show the number of adult white males in the States given who could not read and write at the taking of the census of 1870. and 1900: Illiterate

Illiterate White Males, 1000 Alabama Georgia Vest Virginia

SECRET ANALYZED OUT. An analysis of these figures shows that An analysis of these figures shows that the increase in number of illiterate white makes has been less great in South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia, in the order named. And that the increase has been greatest of all in Texas.

It is confidently stated that the increase is due to the rapid growth in population. The South has received a greater in the last thirty years.

influx of settlers in the last thirty years than ever was dreamed of before. But to the honor of the public schools can it be said that the percentage of illiterates has steadily increased from year to year until now it is at an average of about \$5.

The schools of the South are immeasureably better to-day than ever before, as the reports of all the departments of public instruction show. Of course, the better class of the white people of the South have always been educated, and it is only the mountainous and reomte sec-

reached.
THE UNIVERSITIES INCOMES. The following is a most interesting ta-ble compiled by Secretary Brent, of the State Board of Education, showing the productive funds and total incomes of the great institutions of learning of the country, including Virginia's University:

Productive Total

Institutions. Funds, Income
 Brown Univ.
 \$ 1.29° 227
 \$ 19° 923

 Columbia Univ.
 10.400 0°0
 929.834

 Correll Univ.
 6 756 780
 \$ 10.562

 Dartmouth College.
 2 30° 099
 105 000
 Northwestern Uni. 3,941,612
Princeton Univ. 5
Syracurse Univ. 1.399,596
Tuf's College. 1,400,000
Tulane Univ. 1.477,000
Univ. of Cal'fornia. 2,282,254
Univ. of Ch'cago. 5,897,850
Univ. of Circinnati. 3,000,660
Univ. of Idaho. 7,500,660
Univ. of Il'inois. 501,692
Univ. of Michigan. 820,000
Univ. of Michigan. 1,277,219
Univ. of Missouri. 1,273,500
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TO BUILD WARSHIPS.

Admiral Bowl's "dvoc"te" Government Com etractier teg fien.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON D. C., Feb. 4.—Admiral
Bowles, chief of the Nava. Bureau of
Construction, in the course of a statement
before the House Navel Committee too
av. in explanation of his estimates, expressed himself strongly in favor of
brilding warshive in Government navyyards, and urged that he be given authority to construct one or more vessels in the Government yards.

Admiral Bowles' suggestion probably will be presented later in the form of an amendment to the bill.